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**LETTER**

Honorable Commissioner of  
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Sir:

Pursuant to your telephone conversation with Ray Lippitt, attached are the documents filed in the above-identified application on September 25, 1998, along with a copy of the PTO date-stamped receipt. We would appreciate these documents being entered into the record. Also, consideration of the references cited in the PTO-1449 is respectfully requested along with the return of an initialed copy of the PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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